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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND TREASURER

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF DURHAM,

FOR

THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

DOVER, N. H.:
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Selectmen's Report.

EXPENDITURES FOR 1881.

SCHOOLS.

Paid Samuel Rundlett, jr,	Com. Dist. No. 1,	$374 06
W F Jones,	" " " 2,	131 36
Samuel Emerson,	" " " 3,	90 10
Frank J Bunker,	" " " 4,	205 16
Mehitabel A Pendergast,	Com. Dist. No. 5,	159 78
Eli Edgerly,	" " " 6,	39 94
Jabez H Stevens,	" " " 7,	165 02
Almena S Bunker,	" " " 8,	132 10
B S Kingman,	" " " 9,	37 44
James H Long,	" " " 10,	174 04
		$1,509 00

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid Solon A Carter, State Tax,	$1,640 00
Harry Hough, County Tax,	1,928 14
	$3,568 14

SCHOOL HOUSE TAXES.

Paid Joshua B Smith, in part, Dist. No. 1,	$60 00
Frank J Bunker, " " " 4,	40 00
	$100 00

BOUNTIES.

Paid Levi Davis, for three hawks,	$ 60
Linville F Langmaid, for two hawks,	40
Alexander Benton, for one hawk,	20
Lewis P Bunker, for one crow,	10
Albert Corson, for three crows,	30
Charles Ellison, for one crow,	10
	$1 70

INTEREST.

Paid Hilliard F Fogg, interest on note of Selectmen dated Feb. 14, 1881, for the sum of $500,	$31 25

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid J P Bancroft, for board and expenses of Wm K Chesley to Jan 1, 1882,	$163 56
Thomas L Tibbetts, for coffin, box and robe for Emily Bickford,	18 00
Henry D Davis, for digging grave for Emily Bickford,	1 50
C E Tasker, for coffin for Patrick Fullerton,	8 00
John Drew, for keeping trancients,	4 45
John B Chesley, 75 cents per week 53 weeks, to March 11, 1882,	39 75
W S Meserve, for wood for Mary McDaniel,	6 99
B J Emerson, for board of Albert H Emerson,	27 10
Elizabeth Clark, for board and care of Emily Bickford from April 27, 1881, to May 9, 1881,	24 00
Silas Jenkins, for services with hearse at funeral of Emily Bickford,	2 50
Alvin Jackson, for supplies furnished B J Emerson, for Albert H Emerson,	50 90
Alvin Jackson, for supplies furnished Mary McDaniel,	15 00

Paid Alvin Jackson, for supplies furnished Aaron Corson,	$11 87
Alvin Jackson, for supplies furnished Joshua Pinkham,	5 00
Dr J Low Elkins, for medical attendance on Aaron Corson,	15 00
John McDaniel, for supplies furnished Joshua Pinkham,	15 00
Dr J Low Elkins, for medical attendance on Emily Bickford,	3 00
Dr J Low Elkins, for attendance and notifying Selectmen of the death of Patrick Fullerton,	2 00
Joseph C Bartlett, for transportation of trancients,	1 25
Joseph C Bartlett, for going to Newmarket on the Fullerton case,	1 00
Mark H Mathes, for paid Rev Samuel Hoitt for attending funeral of Emily Bickford,	2 00
Mark H Mathes, for going to Dover for coffin for Emily Bickford,	3 00
	$420 87

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid John B York, for drawing plank for Steele's bridge,	$ 50
Andrew D Moring, for labor on Steele's bridge,	1 00
Eben M Davis, for labor on Packer's Falls bridge,	4 00
Eben M Davis, for labor on highway,	1 25
Eben M Davis, for 645 feet bridge plank,	11 55
John S. Chesley, for gravel on the road,	5 00
Ira Willey, for labor on road and culvert,	3 50
Minot W Langmaid, for resetting guide post at Mill Road,	75
John Drew, for labor on Falls Bridge,	1 00
H H Dame, for drawing plank and stringers for Wiswall's Mill Bridge,	4 00
W S Meserve, for 265 feet bridge plank,	2 91
Eben F Doe, for timber for bridge near J G Otis',	1 41
I P Church, for labor on Steele's Bridge,	2 50
Henry C Wiggin, for use of pump and trough,	2 13

Paid Demeritt & Burnham, for 320 feet bridge timber,	$4 48
D A Stevens, for labor on roads,	17 00
J S Burnham, for 9 gondola loads gravel in 1881,	18 00
	$80 98

NON RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX WORKED.

Paid H H Dame, for non resident highway tax worked,	$2 50
James W Burnham, for non resident highway tax worked,	89 66
D A Stevens, for non resident highway tax worked,	1 88
	$94 04

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Jacob Tuttle,	$ 50
Minot W Langmaid,	3 00
Nathaniel Edgerly,	18 50
Leonard B Bunker,	23 44
Nicholas Drew,	10 25
Cook & Pendexter,	5 87
James D Meader,	21 07
Jabez H Stevens,	11 09
W Meader,	5 75
D S Glidden,	4 25
John S Chesley,	16 38
John C Walker,	11 61
Charles A Langmaid,	8 50
Joseph Bunker,	1 87
John Drew,	14 17
Fred H Young,	1 87
W S Meserve,	16 36
Charles A Mathes,	10 50
H F Fogg,	15 00
John W Berry,	50
J W Coe,	5 87
Levi Davis,	7 50
John R Meader,	3 75
Albert Young,	11 56

Paid J W Coe,	$36 69
Eben F Doe,	1 50
Lucien Thompson,	4 12
Fred M Bunker,	5 71
Mark H Mathes,	8 50
Joseph C Bartlett,	3 25
Moses G Woodman,	5 89
H H Dame,	35 50
Mrs S G Chesley,	13 25
Albert Demeritt,	8 63
J S Burnham,	3 50
Eben M Davis,	9 00
	$364 70

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Paid Nicholas Drew, for breaking roads in 1880	$10 37
W M Smith, for work on highway in 1879,	1 87
D S Glidden, for breaking roads in Jan, 1881,	2 62
Levi Davis, for breaking roads in Feb, 1881,	1 75
Joshua B Smith, for balance of school house tax in Dist No 1, for 1880,	32 50
Abial Young, for watching the body of Duval,	2 00
John Drew, for taking care of the body of Duval,	4 00
Charles H Mathes, for fence burned on account of the Duval murder,	10 00
H H Dame, for breaking roads in Feb, 1881,	1 00
W Meader, for breaking roads in 1880 and 1881	11 00
J W Coe, for breaking roads in 1879,	1 20
Libbey & Co, for printing town accounts,	13 00
Alfred Langley, for heating and cleaning the Town Hall at elections in 1880,	4 00
John R Meader, for damage to plow on the road in 1879,	3 00
John McDaniel, for one cask lime in 1880,	1 25
Hilliard F Fogg, in full for note of Selectmen dated Feb 14, 1881,	500 00
John Drew for keeping trancients in 1880,	3 15
J S Burnham, for six gondola loads gravel in 1880,	12 00
	$614 71

REPAIRS ON TOWN BUILDING.

Paid John H Brougham, for 8 M shingles,.....	$28 00
Converse & Hobbs, for 12 M shingles,.....	42 00
C L Jenness, for nails, zinc, lead, &c,.....	15 70
Converse & Hobbs, for flooring boards and plank,.....	36 00
John McDaniel, for glass and setting glass,.....	50
C L Jenness, for nails.....	4 25
John J Bunker, for 1-8 M shingles,.....	45
John J Bunker, for 9 1-2 days labor shingling,..	23 75
John J Bunker, for labor of Lewis P Bunker 8 days shingling,.....	10 00
Andrew W Moring, for 6 1-2 days labor shingling,.....	9 75
John E Moring, for 6 days labor shingling,.....	9 00
L B Bunker, ditto,.....	9 00
B D Hill, for 6 days labor on store,.....	9 00
John J Bunker, for 4 3-4 days labor on store,...	11 87
Joshua Pinkham, for transportation of shingles from Portsmouth, and boards from the wharf, to Town Building,.....	3 00
Ira Willey, for 33 1-2 hours labor on store,.....	6 30
H H Dame, for 78 feet plank and hauling boards to Town Building,.....	2 56
Valentine Mathes, 2nd, for nails,.....	72
Mark H Mathes, for drawing 12 M shingles....	3 00
Joseph C Bartlett, for purchasing materials and overseeing the shingling of Town Hall,.....	15 00
Joseph C Bartlett, for purchasing materials and overseeing repairs of the Town Store.....	5 09
Mark H Mathes, for time and expense to Portsmouth,.....	2 50
Mark H Mathes, for timber and use of timber,.	1 50
Demeritt & Burnham, for stage polls,.....	3 00
J S Burnham, for timber,.....	2 00
	$253 85

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid John McDaniel, for wood for Selectmen's office,.	$3 00
E J Lane & Co. for books and stationery,.....	6 42

Paid J B Sanborn, for invoice record for the Town Clerk, and express charges on the same from Concord,	$12 50
Alfred Langley, for services at annual meeting,	2 00
Joshua B Smith, for one jury box,	1 50
Forrest S Smith, for services as Superintendent of Schools,	40 00
Forrest S Smith, for books furnished for indigent students,	4 75
John Drew, for services as police officer to March, 1882,	20 00
John Drew, for cleaning station house,	2 00
Samuel Rundlett, jr, for services as Town Clerk,	32 66
Hamilton A Mathes, for services as Supervisor,	6 00
John B Griffith, ditto,	6 00
Eben M Davis, ditto,	6 00
J B Sanborn, for invoice record for the Selectmen and express charges on the same from Concord,	12 50
Mark H Mathes, for services as Selectman,	40 00
Mark H Mathes, for time and expenses to Dover on town business,	2 50
Joseph C Bartlett, for services as Selectman,	40 00
Joseph C Bartlett, for services as overseer of Poor,	25 00
Joseph C Bartlett, for services in the Hoitt case,	7 50
Joshua B Smith, for services as Selectman,	40 00
Joshua B Smith, for blank books, stationery, postage and wood for office,	1 15
Joshua B Smith, for cash paid N Yeaton for sea sand,	50
Joshua B Smith, for cash paid J E Moring for cleaning office and store,	1 65
J W E Thompson, for services as Treasurer,	40 00
J W E Thompson, for blank book and stationery,	1 00
J W E Thompson, for express charges on money sent to Concord to pay board of Wm K Chesley,	1 00
Alfred Langley, for cleaning Town Hall,	2 00
Ephraim Jenkins, for repairing chair and settees,	2 00
James W Burnham, for services as Collector,	50 00
James W Burnham, for collecting School House taxes in Dist No 1,	1 50

Paid James W Burnham, for collecting School House taxes in Dist No 4,	$75
James W Burnham, for 600 tax blanks,	2 40
Joseph C Bartlett, for phamplet laws, postage and stationery,	1 57
Joseph C Bartlett, for services and expense going to Concord to settle State tax,	5 00
	$420 85

ABATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1879.

Willard C Tufts,	$ 85
Bartholomew Marden, dog and poll,	1 80
Edward H Brown,	80
John R Meader, dog and poll,	1 80
B J Emerson,	55
	$5 80

ABATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1880.

John P Giles,	$1 86
Charles J Demeritt	96
Benjamin Langley,	47
Michael Moriarty, jr,	96
Aaron Corson, dog and house,	1 79
Sarah Drew,	47
	$10 83

ABATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1881.

J P Giles,	$4 08
Samuel Hill,	1 33
Lewis Commings,	95
Aaron Corson,	1 55
Joseph F Smith, dog,	1 00
Benjamin Langley,	47
Sarah Drew,	48
Silas Jenkins,	1 14
	$11 00

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid schools,	$1,509 00
State and County taxes,	3,568 14
School House taxes,	100 00
Bounties,	1 70
Interest,	31 25
Support of Poor,	420 87
Roads and Bridges,	80 98
Non resident highway tax worked,	94 04
Breaking roads,	364 70
Outstanding bills,	614 71
Repairs on Town Building,	253 85
Abatements for the year 1879,	5 80
Abatements for the year 1880,	10 83
Abatements for the year 1881,	11 00
General expenses,	420 85
Auditors,	6 00
	$7,493 72

JOSEPH C. BARTLETT,
MARK H. MATHES,
JOSHUA B. SMITH,
} Selectmen of Durham.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TOWN OF DURHAM IN ACCOUNT WITH TREASURER.

CREDIT FOR RECEIPTS.

By Cash in the Treasury March 1, 1881.....	$452 23
State, County, Town, Dog, and School House Taxes in Districts No 1, and No 4,.....	5,574 26
Railroad tax,.....	288 03
Savings Bank tax.....	1,261 14
Literary Fund,.....	61 60
Received of County for support of County paupers,.....	253 31
Received of J C Bartlett for rent of wharves,....	4 50
Outstanding in Collector's list for 1879,.....	10 00
Outstanding in Collector's list for 1880,.....	200 00
Received of State for arrearages for bounties paid in 1879 and 1880,.....	9 10
Received of J J Bunker, for lead, zinc and cement, sold by the Selectmen,.....	2 49
Received of Valentine Mathes, 2nd, for rent of store,.....	100 00
Received of Daniel Chesley on account of board of Wm K Chesley at N H Asylum for the Insane,.....	40 00
Received of Silas Jenkins, for use of hearse out of town five times,.....	5 00
Received of Joshua B Smith, for plank sold to W P Hayes,.....	14 64
Received of Alfred Langley for rent of Town Hall,.....	3 00
Received of J C Bartlett, for old lumber sold,....	8 00
	$8,286 76

TOWN OF DURHAM IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TREASURER.

DEBTOR OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid Schools,	$1,509 00
State tax,	1,640 00
County tax,	1,928 14
School House tax in part Dist No 1,	60 00
School House tax in part Dist No 4,	40 00
Bounties,	1 70
Interest,	31 25
Support of Poor,	420 87
Roads and bridges,	80 98
Non resident highway tax worked,	94 04
Breaking roads,	364 70
Outstanding bills,	614 71
Repairs on Town Building,	253 85
General Expenses,	420 85
Abatements in Collector's list of 1879,	5 80
" " " 1880,	10 83
" " " 1881,	11 00
Balance on Collector's list 1880, outstanding,	37 15
" " " 1881, "	388 81
Auditors,	6 00
Cash in Treasury,	367 08
	$8,286 76

JOHN W. E. THOMPSON, Treasurer.

DURHAM, N. H., March 2, 1882.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, and Town Treasurer, and find them correctly cast, and all payments charged against the town properly vouched.

HAMILTON A. MATHES,
MOSES G. WOODMAN, } Auditors.
SAMUEL RUNDLETT,

STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1882.

An approximate statement of the available funds and indebtedness of the town, as estimated by the Selectmen and Treasurer.

AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Outstanding in the Collector's list of 1880, ...	$37 15
Outstanding in the Collector's list of 1881, ...	388 81
Cash in Treasury,.....	367 08
	$793 04

INDEBTEDNESS.

*School House tax due to Dist No 10, estimated,....	$10 00
" " " " 1, "	35 00
" " " " 4, "	10 00
Unpaid bill of Dr S H Greene and Dr J L Elkins, for vaccination,.....	125 00
Unpaid claims for damages by dogs for 1880 (Gross $78 05) by law pro rata,.....	41 99
Unpaid claims for damages by dogs for 1881, (possibly there will be a pro rata) gross,.....	50 00
	$272 74

Excess of available fnnds over iudebtedness,.....$520 30

*Mathematical precision impossible on account of future abatements.

JOHN W. E. THOMPSON.

REPORT OF THE S. S. COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF DURHAM,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

The Superintending School Committee of this Town respectfully presents the following report for the School year 1881.

District No. 1.—The first two terms were under the firm and judicious administration of Miss Clara Hussey. The zeal and earnestness with which this energetic teacher threw herself into the work of training this company, were praiseworthy. The order was good, every mind, even the youngest was kept wide awake, so that the dullest could not help improving.

For the Winter term the agent was fortunate in securing George Emerson, a teacher thoroughly equipped for his work, firm in government, and abundantly qualified to teach successfully. In temperament and methods, he was just the opposite of Miss Hussey, and his quiet and easy demeanor, his government without effort, led

to comparisons. I consider any district fortunate, whose children have the benefit of his drill.

District No. 2.—This school has had the same teacher for two years past. Miss Jenkins has had considerable experience in teaching, and as she spares no pains and gives herself heartily to the work, I am convinced that considerable progress has been effected.

District No. 3.—The Spring term under the charge of Miss Townsend, was not wholly satisfactory. She failed to inspire them with that energy which ensures improvement, thus the school lacked that thoroughness which gives permanency in the mind.

The Fall term, taught by Miss Jennie Smith, was a success. A teacher of good executive ability, order, diligence, and faithful drill marked the appearance of the school, and the scholars made fair improvement.

District No. 4.—Spring term was taught by Miss Emma Clarke, who fully sustained her past reputation, which was well won. Her desire to promote the wellfare of the school has been fulfilled, and the school progressed, and was left in a good condition.

The Winter term was under the instruction of John Dunlea. At my first visit the school seemed to promise good results; but subsequent visits found the school disorderly, and in thoroughness not up to the standard of a well conducted school, though I trust some improvement was made.

District No. 5.—The school for the year was under the management of Miss Lang, who was amply qualified by acquired attainments for successful work, but

though a teacher, she was never mistress of her pupils. No amount of learning can make a disciplinarian or give aptness to teach. Miss Lang labored hard, but the work done in this school lacked the drill and thoroughness necessary.

District No. 7.—Both terms were under the care of Miss Belle Hussey. The school didn't come quite up to its usual standard, which must have been due in part to outside circumstances, as the number of absences shown by her register, are enormous, which was detrimental, not only to those absent, but to their classmates.

District No. 8.—First term was taught by Frank Bassett. At my last visit, as there were but five of the original seventeen scholars present, I was unable to form any opinion as to the progress of the school.

The Fall term was taught by Miss Helen Bennett. I can renew my commendation of Miss Bennett. A teacher of good attainments, and worthy of her calling, she was wholly in sympathy with her school, and has secured constant progress.

District No. 10.—Both terms were under the charge of Charles Haines, who has a most happy faculty of enlisting the best efforts of his pupils in the work to which he calls them. He succeeded in an unusual degree with his work.

ROLL OF HONOR.

District No. 1.—First term, Gertie M. Davis, Gertie I. Davis, Hannah Smart, Nellie Smart, Orianna McDaniels, Etta Jenkins, Annie Drew, Susie Paul, Grace Ransom, Willie Rock, Allie Davis, Bertie Davis.

District No. 2.—First term, Lizzie Jones. Second term, Lizzie Jones. Third term, Lizzie Jones.

District No. 3.—Second term, Hattie Emerson.

District No. 4.—First term, Etta B. Bunker, Mabel E. Bunker, Nellie C. Stevens, Oliver Ham, Harry K. Litus.

District No. 5.—First term, Elvira A. Hutchenson. Second term, Elvira A. Hutchenson. Third term, Elvira A. Hutchenson.

District No. 7.—First term, Anna M. Rand, Mary E. Adams, Elmer E. Rand, Johnnie R. Page. Second term, Mabel E. Abbott.

District No. 8.—First term, Mark E. Willey, Grace Stevens. Second term, Maurice Mariarty.

District No. 10.—First term, Ruth Wiswall.

GENERAL REMARKS.

For the characterization of each school and of the work done by each teacher, I refer my constituents to the District reports. I believe that the surest way to secure the highest available talent in the instructors of our youth, is to give a wholly truthful report, giving honor to, and *only* to whom it is due. These reports have been written with this intent.

No teacher can lift any one of our schools to a high grade of efficiency, without the aid and sympathy of the district. It is wisdom to make the best of a teacher once engaged, though they may not be all we desire.

Children should not be encouraged to watch, criticise and report; it is not only demoralizing to the scholars, but renders the surrounding atmosphere heavy and unfriendly to the teacher, who if not very strong and self sustained, looses heart and hope. But welcome the teacher, *send your children regularly to school*, interest yourselves in their studies, require them to bring home some book or books each night, give them assistance, praise and encourage their efforts, then will our schools take a higher standard.

I have made some changes in text books during the year, having, as I believe, introduced books superior to those superceded and this with no expense to the district, new books having been exchanged for the old and this at the expense of the publisher.

Proper helps should also be furnished each school room, such as black-boards, globes, wall-maps or charts. Some of our school rooms are nearly destitute of these necessary appendages, and if each District would see that they are furnished, I think ere long they would consider their money well expended.

The qualifications which many of our children possess, as they step into the activities and duties of life, are largely received in our common schools. Very few enjoy any other educational advantage. Let us, then, make our schools not only of a higher grade, but more efficient for good, by keeping this high principle before us, that true education is not only a knowledge of books, but the development of a high moral character of truthfulness, temperance and kindness, that will use books to a noble end.

FORREST S. SMITH,
Supt. School Committee.

No. of District.	Name of Prudential Committee.	Name of Teacher.	No. of Terms.	No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Length of School in Weeks.	Wages per Month.	No. of Scholars not absent.
1	Samuel Rundlett, Jr.	Clara Hussey.	1	39	31	83	10	33	12
		Clara Hussey.	2	36	30	85	12	34	
		George Emerson.	3	32	27	93	17	44	
2	Wm. F. Jones.	Lydia Jenkins.	1	10	9	100	9	28	1
		Lydia Jenkins.	2	6	5	83	6	28	1
		Lydia Jenkins.	3	7	6	85	12	30	1
3	Samuel Emerson.	Mary Townsend.	1	12	10	83	8	20	
		Jennie S. Smith.	2	13	11	91	9	20	1
4	Frank Bunker.	Emma A. Clarke.	1	15	13	93	10	28	5
		John Dunlea.	2	25	22	95	15	28	
5	Mrs. N. Pendergast.	Laura E. Lang.	1	8	3	55	10	24	1
		Laura E. Lang.	2	7	3	65	9	25	1
		Laura E. Lang.	3	5	3	78	6	25	1
7	Jabez H. Stevens.	Belle Hussey.	1	34	29	94	8	28	4
		Belle Hussey.	2	32	25	86	13	29	1
8	Mrs. A. L. Bunker.	Frank H. Bassett.	1	13	10	91	6	28	2
		Helen C. Bennett.	2	15	13	93	11	28	1
10	James H. Long.	Charles C. Haines.	1	20	16	80	10	27	1
		Charles C. Haines.	2	16	14	87	14	28	

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